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Letter dated 7 November 2008 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government and further to the letter dated 1 August 2008 from the Chargé d' affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to you, I have the honour to draw your attention to new violations of international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus by military aircraft of the Turkish Air Force, recorded from 30 July to 31 October 2008, as follows:

On 30 July 2008, four F-16 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 31 July 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 2 August 2008, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 4 August 2008, two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 5 August 2008, one CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus once.

On 6 August 2008, one C-130 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 7 August 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

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On 8 August 2008, two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations, and four CN-235 and four Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations eight times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus eight times.

On 11 August 2008, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 12 August 2008, six F-16, two RF-4 and three CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 13 August 2008, one B-200 and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 14 and 15 August 2008, four CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 18 August 2008, four F-16 and two RF-4 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations.

On 20 August 2008, one CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 26 August 2008, one Bell Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On the same day, two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations, and one Cougar and one B-200 violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 28 August 2008, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 30 August 2008, two Bell Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 1 September 2008, two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 2 September 2008, two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations, and three CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 3 September 2008, two C-130 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 4 September 2008, two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 7 September 2008, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 9 September 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 10 September 2008, two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations, and three CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 11 September 2008, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations.

On 15 September 2008, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 17 September 2008, two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations, and two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft twice violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 18 September 2008, one CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus once.

On 19 September 2008, two CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 24 September 2008, two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations, and two CN-235 and one B-200 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 25 September 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 26 September 2008, two Bell Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 1 October 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 7 October 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 8 October 2008, two F-16, three CN-235 and one Bell Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations eight times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus six times.

On 9 October 2008, one Bell Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 10 October 2008, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 14 October 2008, four F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations, and one CN-235 and two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 16 October 2008, two Cougar and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus once.

On 17 October 2008, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 20 October 2008, one GLF-5 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 21 October 2008, two F-16 and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations.

On 22 October 2008, four C-160 violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 28 October 2008, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 30 October 2008, two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations, and two CN-235, one B-200 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 31 October 2008, two B-200 and two CN-235 violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On behalf of my Government I strongly protest the aforementioned provocations by Turkey and call for their immediate cessation. Turkey's policy of non-observance of rules and regulations governing international aviation continues to gravely jeopardize flight safety and perpetuate insecurity and apprehension on the island. Furthermore, Turkey's persistent provocations, aimed at consolidating the de facto division of Cyprus and further strengthening the illegal secessionist entity in the occupied areas, seriously undermine all efforts towards reunification and reconciliation. At the same time, such provocations indicate that Ankara's policy

towards Cyprus remains one of aggression and disrespect for international law and principles.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 21, and of the Security Council.

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